

# Blue River Church of Christ

May 17, 2015

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## Church of Christ

### Order of Worship

<b>Contact Information</b> 221 NE Woods Chapel Rd Lee's Summit, MO 64064 816-373-7448 office@bluerivercofc.org www.bluerivercofc.org	<b>Worship Times</b> <b>Sunday</b> Bible Study 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship 8:30, 10:45 a.m.  <b>Wednesday</b> Bible Study 7 p.m.
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<b>Elders</b>	Earl Fultz Russ Simmons Jan Sullivan
<b>Deacons</b>	Jim Bassford David Blankenship David Foster Darren Herrmann Jack Hudkins John Owen Mike Peerson
<b>Pulpit Minister</b>	Darin Kennedy

Statistics for May 10, 2015 Attendance	106 + 136 = 242
Contribution	\$5,528.16
Weekly Average Contribution Needed to Meet Budget	\$5,250
Average Actual Year to Date Weekly Giving	\$5,217

#### Downtown Church of Christ Food for Life

They have need for: Ramen noodles, pasta meals, peanut butter, kool-aid, canned or packaged tuna, canned chicken, jello, cornbread mix, snack bars, applesauce or fruit cups, green beans, corn, mixed vegetables, bar soap, women's body wash, and tooth paste. Please leave all donations in the office.

**Prayer Warriors** are waiting to hear from you. This group of caring people will pray for you and your request. Place a note in the "Prayer Warrior" box, or go to the BRCC website and leave a message. You may remain anonymous. Don't carry that burden alone. Let the power of prayer work in your life.

<u>8:30</u>	<u>10:45</u>
<i>Private Reading</i> Mark 10:1-16	<i>Private Reading</i> Mark 10:1-16
#578 "We Will Glorify" #171 "Above All Else"	#578 "We Will Glorify" #171 "Above All Else"
<i>Scripture</i> Mike Newbury Genesis 1:26-31	<i>Scripture</i> Wade Kerley Genesis 1:26-31
<i>Prayer</i> Brian Wahlen	<i>Prayer</i> Darren Herrmann
#23 "Our God, He Is Alive" #76 "How Great Thou Art"	#23 "Our God, He Is Alive" #76 "How Great Thou Art"
<i>Lord's Supper</i> Bruce Sewell, presiding	<i>Lord's Supper</i> Randy Smith, presiding
<i>The Bread</i> <i>The Cup</i>	<i>The Bread</i> <i>The Cup</i>
<i>Giving</i>	<i>Giving</i>
"You Are Holy"	"You Are Holy"
<i>Power Kids</i> Fruits of the Spirit	<i>Power Kids</i> Fruits of the Spirit
<i>Lesson</i> Darin Kennedy "A Warm Welcome"	<i>Lesson</i> Darin Kennedy "A Warm Welcome"
#453 "Love Lifted Me"	#453 "Love Lifted Me"
<i>Shepherd's Prayer</i> Russ Simmons	<i>Shepherd's Prayer</i> Earl Fultz
<i>Final Charge</i> 1 Peter 1:22	<i>Final Charge</i> 1 Peter 1:22
<i>Songs led by</i> Gary Hasty	<i>Songs led by</i> Gary Hasty

### **In Need of Prayers**

**Pat Seago** is fighting an infection. **Carrie Eaton's** father, Sam Bruno, a member at Pleasant Hill, is improving at Research Hospital. **Vickie Sullivan's** mother, Mattie Weiss, has been moved to hospice care. Continue to pray for **Brittany Johnston, Robert Hicks, Betty Williams, Michael May, and Grover Renick.**

### **Parents' Night Out**

**May 29** (Friday, 6:00-9:00) – Kids 6<sup>th</sup> grade and below will be watched at the church building while parents fellowship together. RSVP to **Jessica Herrington.**

### **Young Adult Class**

Beginning **today**, we will have a summer class for Young Adults (roughly ages 18-30), entitled "Jesus the \_\_\_\_\_." We will discuss Jesus from various perspectives. Some material will be from Philip Yancey's book, *The Jesus I Never Knew*. See **Dave Blankenship** with any questions.

### **Vacation Bible School – June 14-17**

You can go to our website home page, [bluerivercofc.org](http://bluerivercofc.org), to sign up your children, neighbors, and family members to participate in our upcoming VBS, *Be a Superhero!*

### **Card Shower**

Blue River would like to honor **Ray & Jane Weatherbee's** 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary on **May 22<sup>nd</sup>** with a card shower. Their address is 4945 Woodside, Independence, MO 64055 or a basket for cards will be available at the building.

### **Wilshire Worship Service**

**May 24** (Sunday, 3:00)–Our 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday service at Wilshire Lakewood Nursing Home.

### **Family Float Trip**

For all those planning to participate in the Family Float Trip, June 28-30, please get your money to **John Wubbenhorst** by **May 31.**

### **Graduation Open Houses**

**May 17** (TODAY, 2-4) – **Bob Minton** at BRCC Fellowship Hall

**May 17** (TODAY, 4-6) – **Katie Rosas** at 15605 E. 76<sup>th</sup> St., Kansas City, MO, 64139

**May 30** (Saturday, 1-4) – **Shannon Fultz** at BRCC Fellowship Hall

**May 30** (Saturday, 9-noon) – **Cara Owen** at 400 SE Annette, Lee's Summit, MO

### **Birthdays – May 17-23**

*Drew Blankenship – May 17      Holly Hadley – May 18*  
*Dallas Herrmann – May 20      Robert Hicks, Sr. – May 21*  
*Reinna Pearce – May 23*

## **The Preacher's Post – *Darin Kennedy***

I am very excited about how things are proceeding with our search for a new minister. We have put out advertisements in many different places, and we are receiving resumes now. I have every confidence that God is at work so that the Blue River congregation can do her best work in God's kingdom. The scripture testifies that God was at work when He gifted you to this body, and He will do the same with the person we need.

When interviewing candidates, we might think that that we are judges of what is best for us, but the interview process is a two-way street, and the candidates are also judging whether we are what is best for them. I am reminded that Blue River must be a place made ready to humbly receive God's gift and to utilize that gift (a new minister in this case) in holy, worshipful, and joyful ways. Over the next few weeks, I am going to write in my article about ways we can prepare to better incorporate a new minister and new ministries into the life and work of Blue River.

The new minister and his family will need emotional and relational support. A paycheck is helpful, but the work demands personal encouragement from the church. The minister is not simply an employee, but more importantly a brother in Christ. He needs thanks for good work. He needs personal conversation when work is not so good, rather than talking behind his back. They need partnership and friendship. They need to be themselves around people, without the boundaries of pretension, with forgiveness and healing available.

Most especially, the minister is encouraged when his wife and children are nourished emotionally. The transition can be very difficult to a new home and new schools. We need to be ready to encourage throughout the entire process. Nothing is more discouraging than to find out that you do not fit into already established cliques. We must already decide that we are actively going to make new friends, even though we do not know who those friends will be. We must be opening relational space now for someone to feel at home.

I personally have decided that work with a fellow staff member will be a great joy. Our partnership will be an example of unity and peace, how disciples ought to work together without competition or selfishness. I am not waiting to see how it will work out between us or what we will have in common or how alike we think; instead, I have already made my choice on how I will feel and behave.

One of my great joys in this process is that I get to tell candidates how much I have been supported and encouraged by the Blue River family. You have treated me and my family as one of your own from the very beginning. Let us do that again, and even more so this time.

### ***Sunday Morning Nursery Attendants***

May 17	1 <sup>st</sup> Service	Tammy & Caleb Walker
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Service	Sara Gurski & Liddy Miller
May 24	1 <sup>st</sup> Service	Lisa & Emma Bassford
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Service	Kimberly Sterne & Alana Peerson